

§ 101-41.313

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in order to protect the United States from duplicate payments and from the consequences of loss, damage, or shrinkage of the property shipped.

CERTIFICATE OF BILLING CARRIER IN LIEU
OF WAIVER FROM DELIVERING CARRIER

In consideration of payment by the United States Government to the undersigned, for itself and all participating carriers, of charges billed on 30-day presumptive delivery for the transportation of property for the account of the United States under either U.S. Government bills of lading or commercial documentation, the undersigned agrees and guarantees to (1) make payment to all participating carriers of charges properly due them, (2) assume liability for any loss, damage, or shrinkage in connection with the shipments covered by said documents, notwithstanding that such loss, damage, or shrinkage may have occurred on the line or lines of participating carriers, and compensate the United States therefor, (3) refund promptly to the United States any amount found overcharged in connection with said shipments, and (4) refund promptly to the United States any charges paid to the undersigned which have been or may be paid by the United States directly to any other carrier participating in the movements covered by said bills of lading or commercial documentation.

(Name of billing carrier)

By _____
(Authorized agent)

(c) *Agency procedures.* (1) Agencies using the facilities of dispatch agents, commercial forwarders, or carriers for the preparation of ocean shipping documentation shall establish procedures to ensure that the GBL provision set forth in §101-41.312(b)(1) is inserted on the commercial bill of lading form or other commercial documents.

(2) Each affected agency shall also establish procedures to ensure that carrier bills covering transportation charges on the shipments specified in paragraph (a) of this §101-41.312 are not paid before expiration of the 30-day presumptive delivery period, which in each case shall begin with the date on which the shipment departs from point of origin. However, the agency shall ensure that carrier bills presented in compliance with this 30-day requirement shall be processed as expeditiously as possible.

(3) Payments made under the provisions of this section are subject to adjustment, if otherwise proper, when the cargo is lost, damaged, or not delivered to the destination specified in the bill of lading contracts. Agencies shall make a diligent effort to collect all agency claims arising under the provisions of this section and shall report uncollected debts to the Claims Group, Accounting and Financial Management Division, U.S. General Accounting Office, Washington, DC 20548.

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§ 101-41.313 Availability of forms.

§ 101-41.313-1 GBL forms.

(a) Agencies may obtain supplies of the individual snapout GBL sets by submitting a requisition in FEDSTRIP/MILSTRIP format to the GSA regional office providing support to the requesting activity. Agencies having facilities for computer preparation of GBL's may order them in continuous fanfold format with pinfeed strips attached to the sides, but such forms must conform to all other specifications on the GBL, including overall size, wording, arrangement, color, construction, and grade of paper. Minor adjustments in spacing to accommodate differences in alignment of computer line printing are permissible, but all copies in the GBL sets must register from part to part. Agency orders for continuous fanfold GBL's shall be executed and processed in accordance with §101-26.302 of this chapter. The National Capital Region, regional office of Federal Supply and Services, Supply Division (WFSI) Washington, DC 20407 of GSA maintains records of the serial numbers of all GBL and personal property GBL sets furnished and the names and mailing addresses of the receiving agencies.

(b) An agency may order overprinting on the GBL forms to the extent of identifying the name, bureau or service, and address of the payment office; appropriation or fund chargeable; and name and title of the issuing officer and place of issue. No other overprinting on the GBL forms is permitted unless specifically approved in writing